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**Chairman Shays to Hold February 14<sup>th</sup> Hearing  
on Protecting National Security Whistleblowers in the post-9/11 Era**

(Washington, DC) -- Congressman Christopher Shays (CT-4), Chairman of the Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats, and International Relations, will convene an oversight hearing to assess the adequacy of whistleblower protections available to government employees in national security agencies.

“Whistleblowers in critical national security positions are vulnerable to unique forms of retaliation,” Shays said. “Suspension or revocation of a security clearance can have the same chilling effect as demotion or firing, but clearance actions are virtually unreviewable. Those with whom we trust the nation’s secrets should not be second class citizens when it comes to asserting their rights to speak truth to power.”

The hearing, ***“National Security Whistleblowers in the post-9/11 Era: Lost in a Labyrinth and Facing Subtle Retaliation,”*** is scheduled for Tuesday, February 14, at 1:00 p.m., in room 2154 Rayburn House Office Building in Washington, D.C.

## **WITNESS LIST**

House Committee on Government Reform  
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### ***National Security Whistleblowers in the post-9/11 Era: Lost in a Labyrinth and Facing Subtle Retaliation***

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